

# The State of Washington



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the Washington State Departments of Health, Labor and Industries, and Social and Health Services, along with the Health Care Authority and the Interagency Committee of State Employed Women have joined together to celebrate and encourage women to take responsibility for their own health through greater knowledge and understanding; and

**WHEREAS**, National Women's Health Week celebrates the extraordinary progress in women's health and recognizes that more needs to be done to safeguard the health of women now and into the future; and

**WHEREAS**, keeping women healthy and safe and promoting awareness of women's health issues depends on partnerships with social, health, and other service organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, women can promote good health and prevent disease and illness by taking simple steps to improve their physical, mental, social, and spiritual health; and

**WHEREAS**, women's health remains a priority for families, communities, and government, and our commitment to keeping women healthy is stronger than ever;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Christine O. Gregorie, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim May 10-16, 2009, as

### ***Women's Health Week***

and May 13, 2009, as

### ***Women's Health Day***

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009

*Chris Gregorie*

Governor Christine O. Gregoire

